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Cedric Francois

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For Compositions and Methods for Treating
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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

M.S. - Missing Parts
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Dear Sir:

Please amend the application as follows prior to examination on the merits.

In the Specification

Please amend the paragraph on page 18, lines 5-12 as follows:

(Amended) Although binding biotin with less affinity, avidin may also be used. In some instances avidin can be advantageous in those situations in which streptavidin significantly interferes with the death-inducing activity of the desired apoptosis-inducing polypeptide. The polynucleotide and polypeptide sequences of avidin are given in Tables VII (~~SEQ ID NO:5~~SEQ ID NO:3) and VIII (~~SEQ ID NO:6~~SEQ ID NO:4), respectively.